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I am respectfully contacting you in regards to NAB's petition 04-160. I think it is an outrage the NAB is attempting to control the programming on XM radio, a service which I pay for every month. The local traffic and weather channels provide excellent local information when I need it. I no longer have to tune in to a local station and wait through a half-dozen commercials in order to get the most current local info. Traffic and weather in the Chicagoland area change from minute to minute. Not being able to get this information before my commute hampers my decisions on the best route to take to work or home. Recently I took a trip to Pensacola, FL and the local weather and traffic service was extremely helpful. If I did not have this service, it would have been a chore to find the local weather and traffic on AM/FM radio.

In closing I would like to say that XM radio in general has been an excellent choice. I will never listen to the commercial-laden FM or AM radio again. The programming choices on XM radio are excellent and so are the weather and traffic channels.

Respectfully,
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